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Dear Sir:

Supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 22, 2003, Applicants wish to bring to the attention of the Patent Examiner the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. These documents were cited in the corresponding European patent application dated January 12, 2006 under category "A" = technological background. A copy of the European Search Report is attached. Copies of these documents are also enclosed herewith. Because the instant Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being filed before the issuance of a first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that no official fee is required in connection with the same. It is respectfully requested that the foregoing Supplemental IDS be incorporated into the official file of the present patent application.

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